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In re Application of

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 6, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed June 5, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Three months extension of time under the provision of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on September 6, 2003.

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity with a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) filed on July 6, 2004.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

This matter is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1774 for further processing.

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